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"And they cried, The Sword of the Lord, and of Gideon." Judges 7:20

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—Gal. 6:6

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By the Editor

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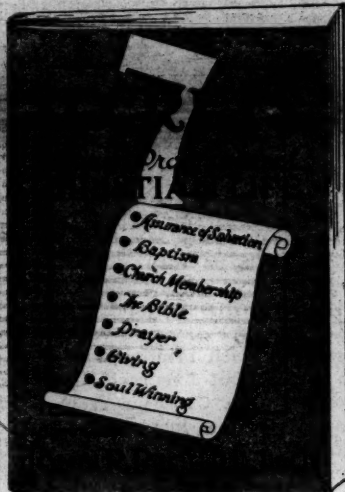
In Gratitude and Courtesy and Helpfulness You OUGHT to Write

The Scripture clearly commands, "Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things" (Gal. 6:6). Children owe much to parents. Pupils owe much to teachers. So those who are blessed by the preaching of the Word of God owe a heavy debt to those who preach. Pastors and evangelists have a right to the love and prayers and support and encouragement of the people whose lives they have been used of God to bless. That is the clear teaching of the Word of God.

And on that basis we humbly believe that we have a right to the love and prayers and encouragement and support of every Christian who is blessed by THE SWORD OF THE LORD. You ought to communicate with us, according to the plain command of the Scripture, if you have been blessed by THE SWORD OF THE LORD or by our writings. Common gratitude for blessings received ought to cause you to write and say so. If you have been blessed by THE SWORD OF THE LORD, this same gratitude should make you feel responsible to help spread the paper to others. If

we use great labor and much prayer writing to you every week in THE SWORD OF THE LORD, then surely we have a right to expect you to write us a letter during letter month. We have letters coming from prominent pastors, evangelists and Christian educators and from thousands of other people. If you are for the soul-winning ministry, the life-changing, life-building work of THE SWORD OF THE LORD and of other activities supported by THE SWORD OF THE LORD, now is the time to say so!

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By EVANGELIST JOHN R. RICE, Editor

(Chapter IV of the 64-page book, "Seven Secrets of a Happy, Prosperous Christian Life," given free on request, one to a family, during letter month.)

We are told about the new converts at Pentecost that "... they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine ..." (Acts 2:42). Well, we have no apostles alive now, and yet the apostles' doctrine is with us. The Apostle John wrote some of it in the Gospel of John, in the First, Second, and Third Epistles of John, and in the book of Revelation. Matthew wrote part of it in the Gospel According to Matthew. Peter wrote part of it in the First and Second Epistles of Peter. Paul the apostle wrote some of it in the thirteen books of the New Testament (fourteen if we count Hebrews from Paul, as I think we should). The Bible we now have is the same apostles' doctrine that New Testament Christians followed. The apostles and other preachers preached the Old Testament and they had divinely revealed to them the doctrine, the teaching which is now in our New Testament and they passed this on to the people. So if we set out to continue steadfastly in the Word of God we will be doing the same thing as these converts of the revival at Pentecost did.

1. Wonderful Promises to Those Who Read, Memorize, Meditate Upon and Follow the Word of God

I think we may safely say that the Christian's use of the Bible is the most important factor of all in securing Christian happiness

and success and every blessing of God upon His child. You see, if a Christian knows the Bible, loves the Bible, follows the Bible, and spiritually understands the Bible, he will already have all the other of the seven secrets we are naming in this book. The Christian who has the Bible has the road map for the Christian pilgrim, the orders for the Christian soldier. The Bible maps out the way to find all the hidden treasures a Christian needs, all that is necessary to make him happy, useful and successful.

With this in mind we should not be surprised to find many wonderful promises about what the Bible will do for the Christian.

The reading of the Bible is blessed of God. And if one cannot read, it is equally blessed to hear, just so the Christian keeps the things that are written in the Book. For Revelation 1:3 says, "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand." Knowing and loving the Bible will help a Christian to have his prayers answered. For John 15:7 says, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." Christ says that the Christian who is wrapped up in Christ, absorbed in Christ, wholly surrendered to and occupied with Christ, and provided His Word abides in the Christian, may ask anything he wishes! One thoroughly committed to

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and Prosperity

Christ can be trusted in his will, when he knows enough of the Bible to know the will of God and to know what will please and honor God. A proper understanding of and devotion to the Bible is so closely connected with having our prayers answered!

The blessed Word of God, as we read it regularly and absorb it and love it, will help us conquer the sins in our own lives. "Where-withal shall a young man cleanse his ways? by taking heed thereto according to thy word," says Psalm 119:9. This means that it is an impossibility for a Christian to live an overcoming life without taking heed to his life according to the Word of God. That is the reason David said, by divine inspiration, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Psa. 119:11).

A knowledge of the Word of God will guide us in the way we should go, guide us in our decisions of right and wrong, and

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The Woman Taken In Adultery

Stoning or Forgiveness—Christ's Dilemma!

By DR. CHARLES E. FULLER

(Preached over Old Fashioned Revival Hour and broadcast over a Chicago radio station, Sunday, March 6, 1949. Mechanically recorded for THE SWORD OF THE LORD.)

"Jesus went unto the mount of Olives. And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat down, and taught them. And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst, They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act. Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou? This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground, as though he heard them not. So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground. And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more."—John 8:1-11.

No matter where you may turn in God's Word you can always find the gospel. And it is beautifully portrayed in this scene with the woman taken in adul-

tery standing before Christ and the Pharisee asking Him questions that would seem to put Him upon the two horns of a dilemma.

How would He get out of the situation? How would the woman be saved?

Christ's Dilemma

The woman had sinned. The law of Moses, according to Leviticus 20:10, required such guilty ones to be stoned to death. In the fifth verse we find these

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Dr. Charles E. Fuller

"We Are Labourers Together"--

—I Cor. 3:9

55 People Saved in January and February Through Sword Literature; Marvelous Letters, Thrilling Reports; How You Can Help Save Souls, Change Lives and Homes

By VIOLA WALDEN
Secretary to Dr. Rice

Nine years ago this month, The Sword of the Lord organization was moved from Dallas, Texas, to Wheaton, Illinois. For me and my loved ones—mother, father, brother, and sister-in-law—the thought of separation was almost unbearable. I was the younger of two children, and very devoted to my family—"Daddy's baby." For this close family tie to be broken by hundreds of miles and to be able to see them but twice a year seemed too great a sacrifice. Yet several years before I had given my life to the Lord's work—now was I to reclaim it because of this seeming hardship?

With many tears, we bade goodbye to those we loved so dearly, and made the 1,050 mile trip to Wheaton to our new home, feeling we were doing what the Lord would have us do. Had not the Lord promised, "There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother ... or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time,

houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers ... and in the world to come eternal life"? Oh, how wonderfully sweet this promise and many others have been since then! How unhappy I would have been had I stayed in Dallas and out of God's will.

What has God done for us during these past nine years? There

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"We Are Labourers Together"

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have been literally thousands saved through the literature published by Sword of the Lord Publishers. It is common to hear from two or three a day who have trusted Christ as their own personal Saviour after reading sermons in THE SWORD OF THE LORD, or some of Dr. Rice's booklets. In a recent mail there were seven! Would not you feel that you were in God's will if you were having a part in helping to bring this about? That is the way we workers here in the office feel about our work.

Although Dr. Rice considers many things to be important in the life of a Christian, he feels that soul-winning should have the place of pre-eminence. And he preaches this and "practices what he preaches." In sermon, in song, in writing books, tracts and articles for the paper, as in personal work, he is always striving to bring lost people to the Saviour, and laying this burden on the hearts of those who labor with him in getting out the gospel. Such convictions make a strong impression on others. So we who work for him are not content unless souls are being saved. Twice a day we have a prayer meeting. We pray for the blessing of God on our lives, pray daily for the literature as it leaves our office that souls will find salvation. Every worker here feels as much a call to this holy work as does a missionary who is called to the foreign field. We are not doing an ordinary job. Though we might be what the world would call top-notch workers as far as efficiency goes, yet if the labors of our hands are not bringing results, then we are not doing our best in the Lord's work. So each of us feel a particular burden for the work since God has placed us here and since what we do may result in turning the lives of many to the Saviour.

Let me recall a few of the blessings which have been ours during the last two months; there have been many.

A Visit From a Native of India

Two weeks ago our good evangelist-friend, Dr. Clifford Lewis, spoke in the morning devotions at the office. He had just returned from the European countries. There he found many people who

were friends of our work, many who read THE SWORD OF THE LORD. He particularly mentioned an evangelist in Barcelona, Spain, and native workers in Sicily. Of the forty-one countries he visited, he never found a country where THE SWORD OF THE LORD was not known by sound Christian workers.

On Monday, following Dr. Lewis' visit on Saturday, there came into our office a high caste Hindu, six days off the boat from India, on his way to Bible Institute of Los Angeles. He must needs come our way to tell us of the blessing THE SWORD OF THE LORD and various pamphlets had been in Anantapur, South India. Someone had given him a subscription and he had written for some books. He was bubbling over with joy as he told of posting our literature from one to another until each piece was well worn. After his conversion, his family who followed the Hindu religion, tried to poison him, but God protected. His burden for his country became insatiable. Now, after remarkable answers to prayer for passage money and other needs, he is enrolling in BIOLA for Bible training and hopes to return in due time to his own people with the gospel. What a joy to meet him and hear his testimony!

Our British Guiana Missionary Student

Many of you know and some have helped in the financial support of John Thompson, a colored young man we brought two years ago from British Guiana, South America, to study in Moody Bible Institute. He is doing excellent work there, is making good grades and has many friends. Three weeks ago a fine letter came from John's praying mother (his father died shortly after John came to America). In part she says to Dr. Rice: "I want to thank you and especially the staff of THE SWORD OF THE LORD for helping John through another year. Never will I forget the last words of his father to him before he left home; they keep ringing in my ears every time I think about John, 'John, you are going to a strange land where you know no one. I am not going with you, but your heavenly Father is. Dr. Rice is your father in that foreign land and you should be a son to him.'" Then Mrs. Thompson tells what a blessing the paper is to her life.

This fine colored young man had for many years read THE SWORD OF THE LORD and Dr. Rice's booklets. He got on fire for souls, and wanted Bible training. He wrote Dr. Rice about training in America. After definite prayer, Dr. Rice felt led to bring him to America and take on his support at Moody Bible Institute. When he completes his schooling, he plans to go back to British Guiana and work among his own people. Who knows what God may do for this colored boy, who first got the vision through the Sword literature!

55 Testify to Their Conversion Through Sword Literature During January and February

What an abundant harvest God has given us the past two months! It would not be right to keep this blessing to ourselves when many of our dear readers have faithfully prayed for the work so long and financially supported the distribution of the literature. What a joy to have such good news to tell! And will you continue to pray for the breath of Heaven on the writing and promotion of God's Word through your efforts and ours?

From British Columbia, a Sword reader writes that their home was destroyed by fire early in January. In the midst of the sorrow which encompassed her, she writes to say: "Personally, I can't understand anyone not liking THE SWORD for I would not want to be without it... My mother was saved through it just before she died." She says about the fire: "Since our loss by fire

material things do not mean the same. It made me wonder what will become of my works when tried by fire—it does such a thorough and permanent job!"

Yes, only what is done for Christ will last. He admonishes us, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth... for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

The following touching letter was brought about by an interested party who wished the booklet, Bible Facts About Heaven, to be a blessing in time of bereavement:

"Dear Brother Rice:

"Two months ago my youngest son eight years old drowned in the river near here. A woman in Havertown, Pennsylvania, read of the tragedy and wrote me a very nice letter expressing her sympathy and said she wanted to help me as someone had helped her. Yesterday I received another very nice letter and also a copy of your book, Bible Facts About Heaven.

"I just finished reading it and now want my husband to read it so that he may find peace of mind and be helped as I have been. I have been told that my little son accepted Jesus as his personal friend and Saviour this summer at Bible School, and one little girl told her mother, 'Just think now how wonderful it is for Bruce—he will have eternal life.' I cannot praise your book enough and I am going to pass it around to my friends and relatives."

Sincerely,

Mary V. F.

Mont Clare, Pa.

Prisoner Lends Booklet to Catholic; Two Days Later He Is Saved

God has only our hands to do His work; our feet to run His errands, our voice to proclaim the good news to sinners; our ears to be obedient to His bidding. Dear friend, are you neglecting your duty as a Christian? Are souls passing your way whom you could speak to, and do not? Oh, our solemn responsibility as Christians! It is so easy to be sidetracked by the Devil, and to neglect. The following letter shows how a Catholic was led to Christ by a prisoner:

"... The other day I gave a man your booklet, *Trailed By a Wild Beast*, along with two others. He read this one, but did not read the others. He returned them and said they were good books. A couple of days later I was led by the Holy Spirit to talk to him. I stopped him on the sidewalk and began talking to him. Ten minutes later he took my hand and said, 'I will trust Jesus as my Saviour right now!' How I praise the Lord for that! I attribute the reason for his being so willing to the reading of your pamphlet which undoubtedly was used of the Holy Spirit to convince him of sin. It was a simple matter a couple of days later to win him to Jesus. Praise the Lord! He is a Catholic."

Eric A. Rockstrom

Attica, New York

A California Pastor Writes:

Rev. Irving E. Penberthy, pastor Twelfth Street Baptist Church, Fresno, California, writes:

"Just a brief line which should have been written long ago. Not long ago a young man confessed Christ publicly in our church who said that he had selected at random out of our tract rack, 'What Must I Do to Be Saved?' He took the booklet home and read it after the morning service, accepting Christ as his personal Saviour after completing the booklet. There is no question about the reality of his experience..."

A missionary in Barbados, British West Indies, writes, "Mr. D— was saved through reading THE SWORD OF THE LORD. Now, he and his wife are sweet Christians. Mr. D— wants to renew the paper for a year."

From Dumaguete Mission Hospital in the Philippine Islands, comes a sweet letter: "Upon the receipt of your long-awaited reply I was not able to hold back my tears. After I finished reading the booklet you sent, my heart felt a great change... Since I

Dr. Bob Jones Says:

Recently, one of the most intelligent, best-educated, and practical educators and businessmen it has ever been our privilege to know came to the Bob Jones University administration offices for just a little call as he was passing through town. This man has made a careful study of the financial plans of educational institutions. He knows education. He has a Ph.D. with a major in education from Columbia University. He has a good Christian conservative background. His theories about education have not swept him off his feet. He is a down-to-earth, practical businessman. This gentleman, instead of staying with us five minutes, spent a day on our campus. To give you an idea of how he feels, I quote a letter I have from him: "Mrs. — and I have talked of only one thing since our visit to Bob Jones University—that is Bob Jones and the University. We are still in awe with our mouths gaping open. We don't understand the tremendous job completed in such a short time. Visiting royalty couldn't have been better received by you and your staff. Thanks again for a wonderful visit." But here is what we wish to say: We are not quoting the exact words that the visitor used in discussing Bob Jones University's financial setup, but he made it plain to us that he believes if we succeed in raising our million-dollar Student Loan Endowment Fund and relate it to Bob Jones University business plans as all other funds are related to the business plans of the institution that the university will have the best chances to survive a depression of any educational institution on this continent.

You friends, of course, understand if a business has a reserve and a depression comes, the reserve is used so the business can keep operating. Well, Bob Jones University has worked out a system

of making loans to students when they are overtaken by financial reverses. For fifteen years the institution has not lost one penny of money—it has loaned to any student. And for fifteen years, the institution has paid its operating overhead from its income from room, board and tuition. This proves that if a depression should come, if we have the money to make loans to students who need financial assistance, we can help students stay in school and also keep up the operating overhead of the school and at the same time we can preserve the Student Loan Endowment Fund, because loans made to students will be paid when the students get out into the world.

My friends, we have learned our lessons the hard way. We have had no great organization back of us. We just worked and prayed and worked and prayed. Step by step the Lord has been leading. Now you Christian people who believe in the "old-time religion" and who believe in training young people not only to be educated moral young people but also to be good witnesses for Jesus Christ can help us build this Student Loan Endowment Fund. We shall appreciate your making as large a contribution as possible before the close of this school year June 1. Contribute all you can, but contribute something. We wish to make a good report at our annual Board meeting on May 31. We appreciate the help some of you have already given us, and we believe you are going to send additional contributions. We believe that you Christians who have been thinking and possibly praying about this but so far have not helped us with a financial contribution will help us raise this Student Loan Endowment Fund. So let us hear from you. Thank you and God bless you.

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have realized everything I have given my heart and soul to Christ as our Saviour."

Mrs. L. W. — of Lindstrom, Minnesota, orders some books, tells us that a niece and her husband introduced her to THE SWORD OF THE LORD, and then she says: "I've always been a church member and I go to church, but I've really learned how to be a Christian from this paper. I have just re-read your sermon, 'Come Unto Me,' and I here and now accept Christ as my only Saviour..."

Stocking-Factory Worker Burdened for 5,000 Workers; Tells of Conversion of Himself and Husband

Mrs. G. B. — of Reading, Pennsylvania, writes asking for copies of the booklet, "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" "I work in a stocking factory where there are about 5,000 working and I am sure there are lots of young girls and women who can be saved through your wonderful work. I know, because both my husband and I were saved after reading your works and seeing your film, and I want to bring the happiness that I have to others; so that they may know what it is like to really know the Lord."

Mrs. C. F. — of London, Kentucky, writes a fine letter about her home. Then she says, "The twentieth of February my husband made a public confession of faith, and I believe your paper and books were a big help in causing this change in my home..."

Mr. Harlen G. Johnson of Campbellsville, Kentucky, writes a fine letter. "I have heard of several who have been saved because of your paper," he says.

From New Orleans, Louisiana, Mr. R. L. — writes at the top of the decision slip from the booklet, "What Must I Do to Be Saved?"—"In expression of the happiness I've derived from your wonderfully inspirational tracts, I

would like to submit my confession."

Pastor Gives Booklet to Friend; He Reads It and Is Saved!

Another fine letter comes from Norton, Kansas, from Mr. W. W. T. — in which he reports: "I am mailing this book back to you, as I have read it through and now I am a saved man. It has helped me so much. I want to thank God for books like these. Will you please send me some more booklets like this one? I want to pass them on to other men who need the help of God. Brother H. C. Howett of the Norton Baptist Church gave this one to me..."

November 17, 1943, a woman in Star City, Indiana, signed the decision slip from the booklet, "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" which reads: "Realizing that I am a sinner and believing that Christ died for my sins, I here and now trust Him to be my personal Saviour, depending on Him to for—

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in our choices. For Psalm 119:24 says, "Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors." In that same great chapter on the Word of God, Psalm 119:105 says, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Since we know that the Bible is the very Word of God, doesn't it seem silly that any Christian should presume to know how to live and have wisdom to meet life's daily problems without being familiar with this rich and miraculous letter from God, the Bible?

Now let me give one of the strongest promises in the whole Bible. How wonderfully reassuring is this promise to the young Christian! It is given in Psalm 1:1-3.

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

The blessed or fortunate or happy men described in this Psalm is one that does not walk in the counsel of the ungodly, does not stand in the way of sinners and never sits in the seat of the scornful. The young Christian should be careful, of course, to keep good company, to walk with Christian people and never to be influenced by bad companions.

But the positive condition here mentioned which is to bring immeasurable blessing is that the blessed man has his delight in the Bible and meditates in it day and night. "His delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night."

"Now what shall be the daily and continuing results? This Christian, meditating day and night in the Bible, "... shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." In west Texas where there is not much moisture one does not find great forests of trees extending over the countryside. There may be small brushy mesquite and other shrubs, but when one sees tall cottonwoods and other large trees growing in a thin line in some valley, he may know that that marks a creek, a water course. There great trees may rise tall and strong because their roots are down in the moist earth about a stream of water or a watercourse where at least in rainy times the water runs. So is the Bible-believing, Bible-reading and Bible-meditating Christian in this spiritually drought-stricken world! The leaf of his Christian joy and testimony never withers! He always brings forth fruit in his season. And everything he puts his hand to prospers! What a wonderful promise for a Christian!

And what is the river of water into which the Christian tree may push his roots and so always be sure of green leaves and of heavy fruitage? It is the Bible, the Word of God! And how does a Christian draw from this inexhaustible source of help and strength and happiness and fruit? He meditates on the Word of God day and night; he delights in the Word of God and absorbs it and lives by it!

A similar promise was given to Joshua when he succeeded Moses as commander of the Israelites and led them into the land of Canaan. The Lord promised to be with Joshua as He had been with Moses, never to forsake him nor fail him. Here are the words of encouragement and of command and promise given to Joshua.

"Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it

to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."—Josh. 1:7, 8.

Joshua was to be very careful to observe all of the law (the part of the Bible they then had). He was to turn not from it to the right or to the left in order "that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest." The Book of the Law was not to depart out of Joshua's mouth. He was to read it, think of it, talk about it all the time, day and night. "But thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein." And then comes the wonderful promise just like that in Psalm 1:3, "For then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

You see, then, that a Christian does have a definite promise that if he fulfills certain conditions he shall have good success, he shall make his way prosperous. Or in the words of Psalm 1:3, the man who meditates day and night in the Word of God to follow it—"whatsoever he doeth shall prosper." Let me insist, then, that the young Christian start out from the very first to love the Bible, read the Bible, meditate over it, study it, learn it and live by it! This is the greatest single secret that I can give, for it will lead the honest heart aright about all the other duties and privileges of a Christian.

2. Suggestions to the Young Christian About the Use of the Bible

I once helped a young man to find peace and joy again after he had backslidden and lost his joy and assurance. Then I said to him, "You must set out now to read the Word of God and use it."

He answered hastily: "But I

do! I read a verse of the Bible almost every day!" A verse of the Bible! Do you think that young fellow really strained himself in reading the Bible, a whole verse of it nearly every day? That kind of reading of the Bible will not do. That is childishly inadequate. It is foolish to suppose that anyone who treats the Bible like that, reading only a verse a day, can have its full strength and blessing.

Let me make some simple suggestions that will, if allowed, certainly lead to happiness, prosperity and success for every Christian.

First of all, set out to read the Bible. I mean read all of it. I mean read it like you read other books, to enjoy it, to learn it, to absorb it, to be educated by it. I do not mean just a careless and piecemeal reading, but a thorough reading of the Bible. I suggest that every Christian set out to read the Bible through at least within a year. And that is a very simple and easy thing to do if you mean business. It will only require that you read one chapter a day in the New Testament or the Psalms, and three chapters every day from the Old Testament, and you will read the entire Bible through in a little less than eleven months. It will require only a few minutes a day, it will help to develop a lifelong habit of orderliness and self-discipline. But best of all, it will acknowledge that God's Word is for you to know and it will certainly make it so God can help you to learn the Bible. You may have two book marks in your Bible, or three, and keep one in the Old Testament and one in the New (perhaps a third in the Psalms). Then every day read one full chapter in the New Testament or the Psalms and three chapters in the rest of the Old Testament besides the Psalms. Any Christian who has not read the whole Bible through, including all the genealogies, all the historical narratives, every line of it, ought to be ashamed of himself. He has never taken the Bible seriously. It is all God's Word and it ought to be read through, every line of it, frequently.

Let me urge, too, that one read through chapter after chapter in consecutive order, in any given book. The Psalms were divided up into separate chapters origi-

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"We Are Labourers Together"

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give all my sins, change my heart, and give me everlasting life as He promised to do. I am glad to confess Him as my Saviour and gladly mail this to let you know." But the decision slip was not mailed to us until February 15, 1949!

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The Woman Taken in Adultery

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words: "Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou?" These leaders of the Sanhedrin—keen, intellectual, highly-trained men; masters in the realm of law—thought they had a problem from which the Lord could not remove Himself. If Christ said to the designing Pharisees, "Let her go," they could accuse Him of being an enemy against the law of God and His own words: "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill" (Matt. 5:17). On the other hand, if Christ answered the question by saying, "Stone her," as the law of Moses commanded, the Pharisees would publicly ridicule Him and say that He was a friend of publicans and sinners.

They really thought they had the Lord cornered, that He was faced with a very perplexing problem. If Christ ignored the charge they brought against the guilty woman, they could accuse Him of compromising with sin. On the other hand, if He passed sentence on her, what then would be the meaning of John 3:17: "For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved."

Here, I say, we find the two horns of a dilemma, a perplexing problem. Christ, in the eyes of the Pharisees, is put in a tight corner. If He in any way minimizes, the wickedness, the sin of this woman, where will be the Lord's respect for the holiness of God, the righteousness of the law? If Christ condemned her, what would become of His claim that He came to seek and to save that which was lost?

How Can Justice and Mercy Be Harmonized?

Here we have one of the most profound problems which ever could or can confront God: how can justice and mercy be harmonized? Doesn't God's Word say, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die"? Of course it does. Furthermore, doesn't the Word of God say that the wages of sin is death? Of course it does. Doesn't the law of righteousness demand the punishment of the transgressor? Of course it does! God is a holy God. Holiness burns against evil and cannot even for one second allow that which is evil, sinful, defiled to enter into His presence. The fires of holy wrath would instantly consume such defilement. In Heaven the angelic beings in God's presence cover their faces and cry out day and night, "Holy! Holy! Holy!" Only those who come God's way and are redeemed can stand in the holy presence of God.

What, then, is to become of this sinful woman, this defiled woman who had transgressed the law, who is morally polluted? Death awaits her under the law of Moses. Her only hope lies in the mercy of God. But how can mercy be obtained when the sword of justice bars her way? Truly it is a most perplexing problem. Is there any solution? Thank God, there is!

In verses 6 to 11 the solution is beautifully given to us in great detail. May it give you encouragement, sinning friend, to come to the blood-sprinkled mercy seat. There is a way; love found a way! Christ is "the way, the truth, and the life." No man cometh unto the Father but by and through Him.

Let me briefly summarize before I read again verses 6 to 11. Christ came "to seek and to save that which was lost." "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should

not perish, but have everlasting life." We are all sinners. There is not one of us but who is a sinner by nature and by choice and, in the natural, is guilty before God. By no means can any man clear himself from the penalty of sin.

Christ's Writing on the Ground—Why?

In the case of this sinful woman, the law was against her. She had broken the law. Death was to be meted out to her. Would grace, the mercy of God, stand helpless now before the law? Well, let's see.

"This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger on the ground, as though he heard them not."

What does it mean? It was as much as to say to the Pharisees, "You remind Me of the law of Moses. Remember I wrote the law on the two tables of stone when Moses was up in the mountain in centuries gone by." Our Lord's action here no doubt carries the thought of ratification. "I came not to destroy the law but to fulfill it."

Notice the wording of verse 7: "So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her."

The Pharisees took the Lord's silence to mean that He was embarrassed by this question. "They continued asking him." They thought they had Him cornered.

But we find Christ, the Law-giver, turning the white light upon the Pharisees and telling them that they themselves are not fit subjects to demand the enforcement of the law on sinners.

"And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground."

What does this mean? Well, follow me. In the days of Moses, according to Exodus, chapter 32, when Moses was up in the mount to receive instruction from the Lord as to how to build the tabernacle, God gave to him the first two tables of stone upon which the law of Moses was written. When Moses came down from the mount he found the children of Israel worshipping the golden calf and entering into all kinds of sinful practices. It is recorded that Moses let the tables of stone drop and that they brake into pieces.

But God does not stop there. In Exodus, chapter 34, we have the record of the second tables of stone upon which the finger of God wrote the law. These second tables of stone were laid up where? In the ark of the covenant under the blood-sprinkled mercy seat. There you have the gospel!

When Christ stooped down the second time He was saying, "You remind Me of the law, yes. But I remind you that the second tables of stone are under the blood-sprinkled mercy seat in the ark of the covenant." The law was not set aside. The law was established. It is still true that the soul that sinneth it shall surely die. But between the law and the condemnation stands the shed blood of an innocent Substitute to come in between the law and those it condemns. That is the gospel.

Christ the Lamb of God who fulfilled the law and established the law went to Calvary's cross and there bore in His own body on the tree your sins and my sins. And now the innocent Substitute, the Lamb of God, stands between the justice of the law and brings mercy to a poor, lost, Hell-bound soul. There is not a word uttered against the law. He had not condoned the woman's sin. But in so many words He said, "The innocent Substitute stands between, pointing to Calvary." No wonder Paul said, "God forbid

that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ!" (Gal. 6:14).

The Trusting, Penitent Sinner Not Condemned

"And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go and sin no more."

Was the woman saved? Yes! How do I know? Notice the wording in verse 11: "She said, No man, Lord." I say to you on the authority of the Scriptures that no man can call Jesus Lord except by and through the indwelling Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit will never take up His abode in an earthly tabernacle until that soul has been loosed and washed in the precious blood, until he is born again, until he has become a new creature in Christ. When she saw by faith, when the eyes of her understanding were lightened and she beheld the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world, she was converted.

Unsaved soul, the law of God still stands. "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." It is unchangeable. You must meet God in grace at the cross or meet Him as the Judge at the judgment of the great white throne. If you meet Him now in grace at the foot of Calvary's cross and take Him as your Substitute, the One who died in your place and stead—if you are willing to receive Him, God will see you in Christ Jesus. Therefore, there is no condemnation to those who are in Christ, washed in His precious blood, cleansed, born again, made new creatures in Him.

We have all sinned. You have sinned—I do not care who you are! The law of God changeth not, but God who is rich in mercy gave His only begotten Son to die in your place. Believeest thou this?

Will you believe God and take Him at His Word? Will you accept God's way of salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ? There is no other way to meet Him in peace.

In God's sight you are condemned; you are just as guilty as was this sinning woman centuries ago. You are worthy only of death. But I am thankful to tell you today that "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Will you take God at His Word? Will you say, "Lord, I believe. I believe that Christ died for my sins, that He bore my sins in His own body on the tree; and I accept the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ?"

My radio friend, maybe you are out on the desert. Maybe you are on a ship plying the sea. You may be up in an airplane. Wherever you are, will you accept Christ today? "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31). God is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (II Pet. 3:9). God does not want you to be separated from Him through all eternity. Why do you die? If you die in your sins you cannot go where Jesus is. "Today if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your hearts" (Heb. 3:7, 8). "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isa. 1:18). You need Christ! Will you accept Him today?

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The Bible--Fourth Secret of Christian Happiness and Prosperity

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nally. They are not connected. It is about the same with the book of Proverbs. But in the rest of the Bible each book is a consecutive whole, and each ought to be read chapter after chapter through the whole book. When you start on Genesis, then keep going right on through Genesis until you finish it.

Let me suggest, too, that many times a whole book of the Bible ought to be read at one sitting. You might read the whole book of Genesis in one long evening or a Sunday afternoon and be wonderfully blessed by it. Or likewise the book of Matthew or Luke or Acts. There are many shorter books of the Bible that can be read in fifteen or twenty minutes. You will gain much to frequently take a whole book at a time and read it through earnestly and carefully.

Then a Christian should set out to memorize a lot of the Bible. Mark the verses that are specially sweet and good which you plan to memorize. Some Christians try to do a little memory work every day, either to memorize one verse that is in the daily reading they have selected, or to refresh ones mind on an entire Psalm, for example. You will remember that David said, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." A verse in the Bible that one has only read may not come up to warn him and reprove him and keep him from sin, but a verse that one has memorized and hid in the heart will surely do so. So be sure to memorize a lot of Scripture. I suggest that Christians should get my little booklet, "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" and memorize a lot of the verses used there in order to use them in personal soul winning. The Gospel of John has many verses on the plan of salvation, like John 1:12; John 3:14-18; John 3:36; John 5:24; John 6:37; John 6:40; John 6:47. But throughout the Bible there are many verses that one ought to now by heart to use in dealing with others.

Then every Christian ought to memorize some of the Psalms—the first Psalm, the twenty-third Psalm, the thirty-fourth Psalm, the 103rd Psalm, the 126th Psalm and many others. As you read over the Psalms, pick out some favorite Psalm which is not too long, learn it, say it over frequently and enjoy it. It will help to mold your life and make you happy and keep you near to God.

In the New Testament one certainly ought to memorize a good many Scriptures. Perhaps you should memorize John, chapter 14; or John, chapter 3; or Romans, chapter 8; or Romans, chapter 12; or I Corinthians, chapter 13. God will help you. But hide the Word of God in your heart, some of it every day if possible. How sweet it will be in the years to come and how blessed when it keeps you from sin and encourages you in prayer and gives you faith to call on God for greater things!

Reading the Bible is not enough, and even memorizing much of the Bible is not enough. The Christian is commanded to "meditate therein day and night." Have the Bible often in your mind. Ask God to help you think about it and enjoy it and delight in it. For it is in meditating on the Word of God that the Holy Spirit does His blessed work of developing the Christian graces in your heart and in giving you faith and in showing you what is wrong with your life, or how to have your prayers answered, or which course you should pur-

sue. So take time to think about the Bible and meditate upon its teachings, its promises and its blessings.

And I need not say that any honest dealing with the Word of God will mean that the Christian is to live by what he finds therein. To read the Bible and not follow it would be hypocrisy. The new converts after the revival at Pentecost "continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine." And so you should make a holy vow, "By God's grace I will do what God makes clear in the Word of God. I will follow the Word of God in my life, as the Holy Spirit helps me to understand it and gives me grace to follow it." How precious is the life that is built upon the solid Word of God! How sure and believing will be your prayers, how confident your joy as you set out to follow the Word of God everywhere it leads! Oh, just to know and do the sweet will of God as revealed in the Bible! That surely is the highest way of life for a child of God and is the sure road to happiness, prosperity and success. Then the leaf of your Christian joy will not wither, you will bring forth fruit in season, according to the clear promise of God's Word, and whatsoever you do will prosper! What a rule for success is given us in Psalm 1:3!

The above is chapter 4 in the big book of 64 pages given absolutely free to those who write us during letter month and request it. The book is, "The Seven Secrets of a Happy, Prosperous Christian Life." It tells how you can be happy all the time, how you can know you are saved, how to have daily victory over sin, how to get your prayers answered, how to be assured of God's provision for your needs and how to win souls. To help get out the gospel and to celebrate our letter month at the Sword of the Lord (during the month of March) we are offering one of these books absolutely free to each one who writes for it. Please ask for only one copy. Do not send names of other people to receive free books, since we cannot afford that. If you want extra copies, buy them at 35c each.

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By the Editor

Our mail readers are taxed to capacity reading and marking the floodtide of letters pouring in during letter month. Some are working many hours overtime. And I am embarrassed by having more wonderful quotations than I can possibly publish in THE SWORD OF THE LORD. Many letters deserve publishing for which there is not room. In a moment I will give you some of the most remarkable testimonies you ever read. But first, let me urge you to hurry and get your letter written.

SALVATION ARMY OFFICER

IN ARGENTINA WRITES: "... IT HAS MADE MY SOUL BURST FOR SOULS"

In another article Miss Viola Walden quotes a wonderful letter from a Salvation Army officer in Argentina who is accustomed to the Spanish language, but who writes us a lovely letter in English, commending THE SWORD OF THE LORD. He says, "It has made my soul burst for souls." We may say it just a little differently, that THE SWORD OF THE LORD has given us a broken heart over souls, but the meaning is the same. Thank God, THE SWORD OF THE LORD has given many a great burden for souls!

Only this morning a letter came from William E. McDonald of Long Shoals Road, Arden, North Carolina, saying:

"Yes! I am glad to write to you about the blessings that I have received from THE SWORD OF THE LORD. The messages in the paper have built my confidence in Christ as my Saviour; they have taught me Bible truths which were non-sectarian and which were Bible truths; they have helped me to live as a Bible Christian; they have allowed me to see the need of seeking, lost, brothers, and I have won one of my brothers to Christ. I know that they bless others, too, because I send someone a copy when I have finished reading it. Only eternity can tell all the results of THE SWORD OF THE LORD in my life."

YOUNG MINISTER SAYS: "YOUR PAPER HAS SAVED ME FROM THIS CURSE OF MODERNISM"

Charles N. Sears of Sachville, New Brunswick, Canada, writes us, as a number of other ministers and ministerial students have, that THE SWORD OF THE LORD has saved him from modernism.

"Dear Brother Rice:

"First of all, I want to explain my position. I am a student preparing for the Christian ministry and believe in your statement of faith at the top of your paper. I was saved and grew in grace and heard the call to the ministry sometime later. But how innocent and ignorant I was! I believed everyone believed in the Bible and exactly what it teaches and what I believe. I had never heard of modernism, but I have now. I am here at one of the leading colleges in Canada which is modern right to the core. They teach religion here all right; but it is not the Christian religion.

"It at first got me down, and I was going to give the ministry up. I could easily have become an absolute atheist. Well, I became cold and hardened. I had subscribed to your paper for six months, and I hated it because—well, anything like that was too emotional. I believe you know what modernism can do to a young fellow. But one day I believe the Lord led me to read a copy of your paper. At once the Holy Spirit told me; 'This is what,

you've always known; this is really the Christian teaching,' and immediately the dense and Hell-deceiving fog lifted; I was free from my prison. I read all the back copies, as somehow I saved them, and how the Holy Spirit did marvelously warm my cold heart and at the same time gave me the burden for souls which every real Christian should have.

"I've read your sermons and have been wondrously built up in the most Holy Faith; and the sermons by the other great men of God have been a real source of blessing. Your paper has saved me from this curse of modernism; it has made me useful for the Lord instead of useless. It has increased my faith, boldness and courage and has told me to be a soul-winner instead of a soul-damner. God has richly blessed me through your paper. I heartily stand beside you in your fight for complete separation from the show, dance, cards, and the other things of the world. On this point, I get a lot of criticism, but let God be true and every man a liar. As a young man who is studying for the ministry, I know of no paper which will do anyone more good; I know this: it teaches more truth than our so-called Christian universities and Theological Seminaries. It teaches more Christians what they should know than these places teach.

"It's one of God's richest gifts to this country.

"Also, Brother Rice, I must comment on your book, *The Soul-Winner's Fire*. It did me a world of good and I wish every Christian would read it, and maybe we'd have that revival for which you work so hard and for which we all pray. ...

"Oh, yes, I remember our church, Main St. Baptist here in Sachville, having your film 'The Dying Thief.' What a marvelous message! God richly blessed us and I believe souls were saved.

"Modernism has nothing compared to what you have and it is cold and your preaching is warming for us who have fallen prey to the Devil..."

Charles N. Sears
Sachville, N. B., Canada

We hope that readers will see that thousands of other ministerial students get THE SWORD OF THE LORD and so help save them from modernism and infidelity.

MAN FROM BARBADOS, BRITISH WEST INDIES, WRITES: SAVED PARTLY THROUGH THE SWORD

THE SWORD OF THE LORD is read in nearly every country in the world. The following letter is a beautiful example:

"Dear Brother Rice:

"I would like you to know that my wife, Lillian, and myself gained much inspiration and encouragement from your stirring message, 'The Banquet Invitation,' R. S. V. P."

"I accepted Christ as my Saviour seven months ago, and my wife sometime before that, partly through the messages of your

blessed magazine, THE SWORD OF THE LORD, and partly through the guidance and help of some Baptist missionaries from America who are doing wonderful work for the Lord in Barbados; yet when we read your message I thought I should let you know the benefit we gained from it.

"Recently one of my two brothers, a cousin of mine, and my wife's cousin, were all saved, and I trust in God that in the near future many more of our family and friends may see their need for Christ in this sinful world of today.

"Hoping this letter will help to show the fruits of your labour, I am

"Yours in Christ,"

Ralph H. Durant
Barbados, British West Indies

TEXAS COUPLE, DIVORCED, PLANNING OTHER MARRIAGE, BROUGHT BACK TOGETHER THROUGH BOOK, "THE HOME"

A letter from Miss Pauline Neas of Brashear, Texas, telling of a home restored through our book, brought great joy. She said:

"Dear Brother Rice:

"I am sending \$2.00 for another book, *The Home: Courtship, Marriage and Children*. I am happy to tell you this book brought a young couple, here at Brashear, back together. The young wife, and mother, was about to be married again. I gave your book to her and she came back to her husband and they were remarried. They have three lovely little girls, one a young baby.

"The book has been a great blessing to me also.

"I would like to have a copy of the *Sword of the Lord* book catalog. I am praying for you."

METHODIST PASTOR DISCOVERS EVANGELICAL WEALTH IN SWORD

"Dear Dr. Rice:

"Some months ago the SWORD OF THE LORD began arriving in our home. Being a pastor my first thought was 'just another periodical which I will not have time to read,' but upon closer inspection I discovered that here at last was a real soul-stirring evangelical paper. I immediately sat down and mentally devoured every article written in your paper. And, praise God, not only was I mentally refreshed but my soul was spiritually fed! Being a new pastor of a Methodist church which was living in an apostate condition has been a drain upon my very soul, but I find in your paper 'showers of blessing' which encourage me to go on fighting the battle of faith. Oh, that all Methodism would see the vision and have the burden for lost souls that is expressed by you and Dr. Bob Jones and other writers in your paper!"

Rev. Burton E. Patrick, Pastor
Ashley and Bannister Methodist Churches
Bannister, Michigan

OWNER READS BOOK ON PRAYER—"THE MIRACLES BEGAN HAPPENING... YOUR BOOK ON PRAYER HAS REVOLUTIONIZED OUR LIVES!"

OF THE SWORD OF THE LORD, Mrs. Roy Willis of Cedarville, Ohio, writes:

"Dear Dr. Rice:

"It was a surprise gift and I do not yet know who first had it sent to me but I praise the Lord someone was enough interested in me. It is the very last subscription I'd let expire now in my home.

"Through THE SWORD OF

THE LORD newspaper, I became acquainted with your books, Dr. Rice, and when I joined the *Sword Book Club* your wonderful book on *Prayer* was my first book—it was such a blessing to me. I was so impressed with it I read with a red pencil in my right hand and you should see my original copy—practically every line is underscored! I just couldn't put the book down! I didn't just read it—I studied it, reading it over and over. I could hardly believe what I was reading as my personal prayer life had been so far from what God had intended it to be!

"As I followed you through the book, opening my mouth wide, asking my God for big things, the miracles began happening and you can imagine how happy I was. Things seemed topsy-turvy in our lives and my husband and I really wanted to be much closer to our Lord, and we wanted to serve HIM. True enough, your book on *Prayer* has revolutionized our lives!

"We thought we had a happy Christian home as we do have a nice little family and we love each other with unusual devotion, but when your book on *Home* came and I read it through with eagerness I immediately discovered there were many, many things to be changed in our home and they are getting changed!

"The very evening I finished reading your chapter on 'Winning Children to Christ in the Home,' I was led to gather my little ones around my knee. I felt if you had won your tiny folks, then with this wonderful help in your book I'd do as much for mine. Much to my surprise and joy they were ready to accept Christ. My little son who is seven I asked first; then my five year old son. I had my arm around the baby girl three but didn't include her. When we had finished our little prayer—I was so happy I was shedding a few tears—she looked up into my face and said, 'Me, too, Mamma.'"

Mrs. Roy Willis
Cedarville, Ohio.

A CATHOLIC, WON TO CHRIST THROUGH "THE SWORD OF THE LORD," SENDS FERVENT THANKS

Not until we meet around the throne and the Lord Jesus reveals to us the full results of our labors, will we ever know how many have turned to Christ through THE SWORD OF THE LORD and other

literature we publish. But, thank God, He gives us a little of that knowledge now to encourage our hearts.

The following letter from Utica, New York, we use in entirety and ask you to rejoice with us:

"Dear Editor:

"I consider it an inherent blessing and a great privilege to write to you. What the following words may stress, as I write, is beyond my calculations.

"For nearly a year I have read THE SWORD OF THE LORD paper, with inspiration. Before having read my first copy of THE SWORD OF THE LORD I had been a Roman Catholic without the Word of God and without Christian literature. I am now rejoicing in the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour through inestimable blessings received from lucid reading throughout THE SWORD OF THE LORD pages.

"Perhaps it is well to confess and ask forgiveness that my very own lack of strength and knowledge has been my self-sufficiency, which is reason sufficient why I have accepted our Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour.

"I am very much in need of the Lord's grace and mercy, always. I will continue reading THE SWORD OF THE LORD paper for spiritual food, for a better Christian life, as I strive to gain probity of character, which is the delight of our Lord and of the people.

"With profound appreciation I am sincerely grateful to the publishers of THE SWORD OF THE LORD for conveying the gospel, blessings and virtue.

"May the Lord richly bless you as you continue to work for Him. My prayers remain with you. I am

"Faithfully yours for Christ,"

Anthony Sakowski

Don't you want to have a part in this glorious work? Then help us get THE SWORD OF THE LORD into thousands more homes. Join us in earnest prayer for the work. And if you will, help in free literature or radio funds. But whatever else you do, write today for your free copy of the 64-page book, *Seven Secrets of a Happy, Prosperous Christian Life*. Address, *Sword of the Lord Publishers, 214 West Wesley Street, Wheaton, Illinois. LETTER MONTH EXTENDED TO APRIL 13! Hurry! Get your letter in at once.*

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Is Your Home Headed For The Rocks?

By FAIRY SHAPPARD
Personnel Director

What a startling thought! And how quickly and emphatically some who read this will answer, "No!" But before you answer so surely and positively in the negative consider whether the following things exist in your home, things which (being against His plain commands) can but withhold the blessing of God and sooner or later bring the curse of God:

1. Failure of husband and father to take place of authority and leadership and responsibility in the home. . .
2. Failure of wife to take God's place for her, the place of obedience to her husband. . .
3. Failure to enforce rigid and consistent discipline of children, requiring instant and complete obedience to authority. . .
4. Failure to maintain family worship, prayer and Bible teaching in the home. . .

Perhaps the following signals, the result of failure at these or other important points, are already flashing in your home, warning of impending and terrible danger:

1. Fervent, eager love cooled or replaced altogether by constant doubting or indifference. . .
2. Joy-filled days changed into dragging hours of work done only because of duty or necessity, without any joy of heart, without happy anticipation at the sound of approaching familiar footsteps. . .
3. Uncontrollable children bringing grief by disobedience, disrespect for parents, late hours, and worldliness. . .

Family life reduced to a matter-of-fact, humdrum existence with love seldom expressed and appreciation rarely shown; where the welfare of others is not of first concern; where problems are not shared and worked out together; where each goes his own separate and selfish way. . .

5. Confidence, patience, obedience, longsuffering, replaced by misunderstanding, suspicions, rebellion, bitter quarreling and unjust accusations. . .
6. The divorce court itself—that separator of loved ones, that robber of children of their proper rights, that hideous, terrible tool of the Devil, with all the disobedience to God and His Word, all the agony of heart, all the humiliation that is connected with it hovering over every member of the family, filling hearts with fear and days with uncertainty and terror, but seeming to promise the only solution to the problem. . .

Are these signals flashing in your home? If so, they are danger signals, I say, and may mean that your home is headed for the rocks where it will crash never to be restored again. Do you want to save your home? God help you to do it!

Divorce Is Not the Solution
Though you may now think so, divorce is not the solution to the problem. In fact, divorce is the thing that will bring the surest and most terrible disaster. We know that is true in the first place because it is directly against God's command. No person ever disobeyed God, went directly and deliberately against what He commanded, without reaping sorrow and trouble and heartache for that sin. In the second place, the wrecked lives of thousands of children in divorced homes, the economic disaster that so often follows divorce, the disgrace that always attends it, the loss of personal love and happiness in so many, many lives is proof enough (to any person who carefully weighs the facts) that divorce is not the way out—but is the way in, the way into deeper trouble and greater sin.

But There Is a Way Out!

Your home can be saved! There is a way, a way as sure as God's promises themselves if God's plan is followed. That way is available to you, is within your reach. It is made plain in the book, **THE HOME: Courtship, Marriage and Children**, by Dr. John R. Rice—so plain that if you read it you cannot fail to know what God ex-

pects and the terms on which you can have your home made right and kept right and happy. One chapter alone—the chapter entitled "Divorce, the Wreck of Marriage"—is enough to work the miracle if God's principles laid down in it are put into practice.

All of it cannot be given here, so we urge you to get a copy of the book at once and learn how to save your home from the impending danger that may now be threatening it!

Dr. Rice, in telling why he wrote the book says, "I believe the Bible lays out what are sound principles that will guarantee a happy and successful marriage. I believe the Bible shows how love which has waned and fled can be rekindled again on the marriage altar, how the home about to be broken can be restored to happiness and joy. I believe the Bible sets the pattern for the rearing of children, or the family altar, for teaching the Word of God to children, and for making Christ the head of the home in deed and in truth. I have tried with more toil than the average reader can well imagine, with more study and prayer and work than even I dreamed it would take, to make a book that would honor God and bless millions of homes."

"How to Restore Lost Love and Happiness in Marriage"

In the chapter, "Divorce, the Wreck of Marriage," Dr. Rice says under this heading:

"There is an alternative to divorce. If love has grown cold between husband and wife, if disagreement has taken the place of sweet harmony they expected, and if there is such conflict between mates that the future seems to promise only misery and insufferable contention, divorce is not the remedy. I promise you faithfully, and will prove my point by the Word of God, that there is a way to restore love and happiness in the home."

Then Dr. Rice proceeds to give the principles which will insure a happy, prosperous home. I beg you again, get your copy of the book at once!

Others Are Getting the Blessing

God is wonderfully using this book to restore and make happy homes. A happy letter came to us today, part of which said:

"I am sending \$2.00 for another book, 'The Home: Courtship, Marriage and Children.' I am happy to tell you this book brought a young couple here at Brashear back together. . ."

"P. N."
"Brashear, Texas"

Last week, the following good news came:

"We used the book on the HOME in helping to unite a young married couple who had been separated eight months. . ."

"D. W."
"Newbern, Virginia"

How happy are other reports that come all along! One couple drove eighteen miles to tell the author how their home had been united after reading the book. Get your copy today!

Other Special Features of the Book

The chapter mentioned above, "Divorce, the Wreck of Marriage," is worth far more than the price of the book. But there are twenty-two vital chapters as follows:

1. Marriage and Home.
2. Courtship and the Dangers of Petting.
3. Principles of a Successful and Happy Marriage.
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5. Some Should Never Marry.
6. Man, God's Deputy as Head of the Home.
7. Wives Should Be Subject to Husbands.
8. Letter to a Young Husband.
9. Normal Sex Life in Marriage.
10. The Blessing of Children.
11. Birth Control.
12. Correction and Discipline of

Flying Farmer Joins Extension Staff

By EVANGELIST BILL RICE
Associate Editor



James P. Stoutenborough

I first met this young man when I visited Decatur, Illinois, over the week-end about a month ago as guest of the Youth For Christ there. Mr. Stoutenborough is the assistant director and official song leader of the Decaturland Youth for Christ. He led the singing on Saturday evening and it was great to see him in action. He is definitely not an "orthodox" song leader but his boundless enthusiasm and good taste in the selection of songs make him a good one.

That night Jim and his lovely wife, Joan, took me to their farm with them where I learned he and I had much in common. Each of us are licensed pilots and fly our own plane, each of us loves the Lord Jesus and both feel called to do evangelistic work. But he was not in full-time gospel work. True he took an active responsibility in the Decatur Youth for Christ, was song leader of the Maroa Bible Church and spent much of his time leading the singing in locally-conducted revival campaigns. In fact, he was so busy in gospel work he hardly ever attended the meetings of the Macon County Flying Farmers, of which he is president.

But he was still tied down to the large farm he owned jointly with his sister. He told me he was praying to get into some kind of full-time gospel work. I told him about the work the men on our Extension Staff are doing and suggested that he might work with us part-time, showing our films in Decatur and surrounding towns. He said he would think it over and let me know.

A few days later he flew to

Children.

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22. Making Christ the Head of the Home.

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Wheaton to talk with me again about the matter and then purchased a sound projector and other equipment. He went back home and began lining up dates. He is well known and well loved in the Decatur vicinity. But he was still dissatisfied and felt he ought to sell out and go into full-time work.

Frankly, I discouraged him. How did he know he could keep busy? How did he know he could make a living for himself, his wife and three-year-old daughter? He didn't know about that but for three years he had been longing to be more in the work and perhaps in this way he could get started.

Last Thursday he called me long distance to tell me he had already sold out and had already bought a home in Wheaton! I wondered if he had not been hasty and he said no, he had been slow. He should have done this three years ago! And Saturday he flew out here to Marion, Kansas, where I am in a union revival campaign to work this week showing our sermon films in this area!

So please pray for James P. Stoutenborough of the Sword of the Lord Extension Staff. He will be available as song leader for

your revival meetings and as a film evangelist for one-night services in your church. In such services he will be showing our sermon films. These are "The Dying Thief," a sermon to the unsaved by my brother, Dr. John R. Rice; "He That Winneth Souls Is Wise," a sermon film for Christians, and "I Am the Way," a sermon film of mine to the unsaved. In each one-night service Mr. Stoutenborough will conduct a fine song service, show two of the films, distribute copies of THE SWORD OF THE LORD, giving those present an opportunity to subscribe, and give an invitation for the lost to accept Christ.

There is no charge for this service but since these men are not on a regular salary we do ask that an offering be taken for them in each service.

If you would like Mr. Stoutenborough or some other member of our Extension Staff for one service or a revival campaign, please write for dates and further information to

Evangelist Bill Rice
214 W. Wesley St.
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"Let Him That Is Taught in the Communicate Unto Him That Teacheth..."

(Continued from Page 1)

expression of thanks for favors received. Who would think of neglecting to write a note of thanks for a Christmas present or wedding present received by mail? When my daughter, on Wheaton College Chapel Choir tour, spends a night as a guest in Christian homes, it is insisted, of course, by these fine Christian college authorities that she write a note of thanks to the hostess. This is only common courtesy which well-bred people even the unsaved, everywhere recognize is required. And shall Christians be less courteous than the world in such matters?

The Saviour was deeply grieved when of ten lepers healed, only one returned to thank Him, and that a Samaritan. Don't be guilty of ingratitude. If someone has helped you, say so!

And there are many ways you can help THE SWORD OF THE LORD. You can make suggestions. Many are asking that we publish a "Question and Answer" department regularly, etc. Make your suggestion. But you can help in other ways. Send subscription to others. (If you do not have the name and address of some who ought to receive THE SWORD OF THE LORD, we know hundreds of foreign missionaries who would be delighted to receive this revival paper). Will you pay for a subscription, or several? Send them in at once!

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"... And Your Feet Shod With the Preparation of the Gospel of Peace"

---Eph. 6:15

By LOLA M. BRADSHAW

Business Manager Sword of the Lord Publishers

You want to be a soul winner. At least, if you are right with God you do. Many of you are soul winners, but this is for you too. In order to effectively carry the gospel of peace, you need to have your feet shod with the preparation of this gospel. In other words, you need to study, to learn the Scriptures the best scriptures for various cases, and you need to learn how to approach people.

The little booklet, VEST POCKET COMPANION for soul winners, prepared by the late Dr. R. A. Torrey, himself a wonderful soul winner and teacher of soul winners (an associate of D. L. Moody and selected by Mr. Moody to be the first superintendent of Moody Bible Institute) prepared a little handbook for those wanting to know the best Scriptures to be used. They are compiled, and the Scripture verse, or verses, are written out in full under the following listings:

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The book, *The Home: Courtship, Marriage and Children*, is being offered for only \$2.00 during letter month. So you could buy this book and save fifty cents on it, and also get with it free VEST POCKET COMPANION for soul winners during letter month only, and only if you ask for it.

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By GRACE JEAN RICE

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Dr. Merv Rosell in San Diego Youth Crusade

Will Bruce director of the San Diego, California, Youth for Christ, sends the following report of their campaign:

"Deep spiritual conviction, unity of purpose and melting of heart marked the UNITED YOUTH CRUSADE OF SAN DIEGO. Southern California felt the impact of the Holy Spirit's power when eighty-five churches and eight interdenominational organizations joined heart in a UNITED 'CHRIST FOR SAN DIEGO' CAMPAIGN.

"The central committee called Dr. Mervin E. Rosell of Rochester, Minnesota, to be the evangelist. Cliff and Billie Barrows, veterans of many revival campaigns in America and the British Isles, directed the large musical and child evangelism staffs. 'Cliff Barrows' careful work in the personal work rooms was invaluable. His qualities as a 'preaching musician' were more than evident in dealing with the scores of seekers while I was still at the altar giving the invitation," said Merv Rosell.

"After months of prayerful preparation, the crusade opened in White Temple (the largest available auditorium) on Friday, February 11th. The music of The Old Fashioned Revival Hour Radio Quartet and the pianist, Rudy Atwood, assured a packed auditorium to welcome the Rosell-Barrows team the first night. The sight of a thousand Christians on their faces that night indicated a new seriousness of desire for real awakening. A Finney, Moody or a Wesley would have thanked God for that earnestness of honest confession and intercession.

"Evangelist Rosell's messages followed night on night with increasing fervor. Each message was built on solid Bible truths which carried with them overwhelming and irresistible conviction. The speaker often preached an hour and more but when the simple invitation was given the scores of seekers moved to the altars or the prayer rooms immediately under evident conviction of the Holy Spirit. The decisions were then definite, intelligent and victorious. Christian leaders said they had seldom observed an evangelistic team with more compassion for the lost and more tenderness for those in trouble. Merv Rosell dealt with burdened hearts until 1:10 a. m. after one Sunday night service.

"Pastor Allen Wickman, chairman of the Executive Committee, said he had never seen such overwhelming conviction, evidenced by confession of sins, cutting clean from habits and restitution. People were unable to eat or sleep until the pastors and personal workers had helped them straighten out their homes and hearts.

"The scores of pastors who assisted nightly testify that it will take months to finish reaping the tremendous harvest that is daily

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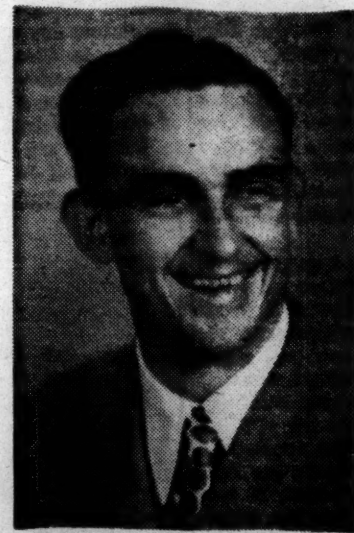
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coming to light from the careful, prayerful presentation of great Bible truths. Already pastors are reporting resultant conversions in their own churches. There is a real spirit of expectancy for further moving of the Holy Spirit in revival power throughout this area. Even the great marine and naval bases here are being affected. A careful detailed report of the hundreds of decisions will be given when all the people are accounted for in the individual follow-up plan for all the churches. "Possibly the most precious service of the series was the Friday night rally in which Merv Rosell (with deft but definite preaching) stemmed the terminology conflict to bring us the

great non-controversial truths concerning the mighty work of the Holy Spirit. More than five hundred people of all denominations flooded to the altars and knelt wherever space was available, as our hearts were united in simple quiet faith, acknowledging the personal Presence of the Holy Spirit and allowing Him to take control of our lives according to the command of Ephesians 5:18. We went from that place to set aside our differences that He might be permitted to 'energize' us for the work of winning souls and developing New Testament Christians. Could this be a 'taste' of the famed Welsh Revival days?"

REV. LOUIS W. ARNOLD, Well-Known Young Pastor and Radio Preacher, Becomes Evangelist



Rev. Louis W. Arnold of Post Office Box 502, Lexington, Kentucky, has been doing a lot of revival work. Last year he had twelve evangelistic campaigns. He has had an important radio ministry, is the author of a book, *The Way to Revival*, edits the *Wayside Missionary*, a monthly, and has been a pastor of the Rosemount Baptist Church in Lexington. Now he has definitely launched out into full-time revival work as an evangelist, surrendering the pastorate.

It gives us great joy to announce that this brilliant and Spirit-filled young preacher is now available for revival campaigns the year 'round. We anticipate that he will be greatly used of God.

When Brother Arnold was pastor of the South Elkhorn Baptist Church, with a membership of 635, there were 226 new converts baptized in one year, according to the *Western Recorder*. That is a remarkable record. In the Rosemount Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, last year, there were conversions in forty-eight Sundays out of the fifty-two Sundays last year.

I am grateful for a letter from Rev. G. R. Reynolds, pastor of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Lenoir City, Tennessee, about Brother Arnold's services with them last fall. The pastor writes as follows:

"The attendance was the greatest in fourteen years and borrowed chairs were placed in the church to seat the overflow crowds that flocked out to hear the preaching of Evangelist Louis W. Arnold. There were fifty-five responses to the invitations, some coming as backsliders, several for consecration, and a goodly number coming to accept the Saviour and for baptism. Truly God gave us a Pentecost."

"This is the second meeting that Evangelist Arnold has been with me in my pastorate, he having previously been with us in Maysville, Kentucky. He does have the gifts and calling of an evangelist; he is a preacher of the Word; he has a passion for the lost; and he is a soul winner. Having had the background of a pastor, he also understands how to

be a real help to the pastor in the furtherance of his work."

We are also glad to have a letter from Rev. Roy A. Hamilton, pastor of the Sand Spring Baptist Church of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, where there were ninety-eight public decisions for Christ. Brother Hamilton says that the church house was filled on the first night and that they were unable to take care of the people much of the time. He says:

"Louis W. Arnold is one of the finest evangelists it has ever been our privilege to know. His love for Christ and for the souls of men is contagious, and one can not listen to him preach without feeling that here is a man who is anxious to serve Christ and win others to Christ. His messages are simple presentations of the gospel story and the people love to hear him preach."

"Yes, we thank God for Louis W. Arnold, and we will long remember him for the fine work which he did in our midst. The goal which we had set for our meeting, that of one hundred souls, was not reached during the two weeks Brother Arnold was with us, but it has been reached and we thank God for it. Ninety-eight people came forward during the meeting and six after the meeting closed. It was our privilege to baptize fifty people on the last Sunday in October and the ages ranged from seven years young to seventy-eight years old."

"The street meetings attracted great crowds and were instrumental in bringing several into the kingdom of God. Other services were held in the schools and factories."

Welcome, Brother Louis Arnold, to the ranks of full-time evangelists! We thank God for your zeal, your soundness in the faith, your devotion to the Bible, your strong preaching against sin, your upholding the blood of Christ as the only remedy for a sinner's sins. We are grateful for your understanding of revival methods and your pastoral experience which fits you for this work.

Those who wish to get in touch with Brother Arnold for revival work may write him at Post Office Box 502 Lexington, Kentucky

"We Are Labourers Together"

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just going forward in church does not save anybody, but we know that the Lord Jesus taught us to have confession follow the decision. The decision form makes the decision easier.

Angels in Heaven rejoice and certainly we should rejoice over people who find Christ. And so we encourage them to write us.

Sword Literature Making Soul Winners

Not only is the sword of the Lord literature resulting in the salvation of hundreds of souls, but many Christians who have never won a soul, tell us how burdened they have become to win souls. Take, for instance, the following letters:

"I have a shelf-full of books by you and I am continually studying my way through them over and over. I have been 'put on the right track' on a number of doctrines by reading *Prayer, Ruin of a Christian, Baptism, Movies, Dance* and others. Besides this, your articles on 'Holy Spirit filling' were particularly helpful. Confidentially, I am developing a terrific case of 'broken heart' for the salvation of souls. . . . I have an interest in commercial art for a profession, but consider that secondary to SAVING SOULS FROM HELL!"

From Rosario, Argentina, a Salvation Army Officer who receives regularly THE SWORD OF THE LORD, wrote February 28: "Please let me thank you most warmly for the excellent sermons it brings and the many blessings they have brought to my soul. I must confess that the reading of your magazine has made my soul burst for souls. In fact, it has awakened me to the big possibilities there are to win souls and that is why I am a preacher myself now."

These two letters quoted above came in the mail this afternoon. Oh, how we thank God for these letters!

Here is what God did to a man through Dr. Rice's own personal ministry in Pontiac, Michigan, as related to us by the church secretary of Emmanuel Baptist Church where Dr. Rice held revival services in February:

"... this man and wife attended every service when you folks were here. The last night their little boy was sick and the wife could not go, but C— was there and sang in the choir. When he got home that night his wife told me that she met him at the door and she said he was crying so hard she was frightened and thought he must have run over someone on the way home. She said he was almost hysterical and kept saying, 'I've got to go see my mother and dad! I don't know if they are saved or not, and Dr. Rice said the Bible says, "The wicked shall suddenly be cut off," and I've got to make sure they are saved before it is too late. His folks live over in Ohio about a fourteen-hour ride from Pontiac, but his wife told him to go to them if he wanted to. He seemed to quiet down some and said, "That is what I wanted to do but I didn't know if you would want me to go or not. I've got to leave right now—tonight."

"She called his younger brother on the phone (he is unsaved and very critical of C— stand for God); when he saw C— really meant business, he said, 'He's not going alone—I'll go with him!' So Mrs. G— packed her husband's bag—putting his Bible in as he asked her to do, and they left immediately. He had returned home from church at ten to ten, and at 10:20 they were on their way to Ohio. She said before he left he knelt down in the dining room and prayed the sweetest prayer she had ever heard, which is the first time he had ever done anything like that aloud. He has a big family. Besides his mother and dad, there are quite a few brothers and sisters. And he told his wife he would not be back until they were all saved, even though he loses his job here in Pontiac. . . ."

We have not heard the results of his visit with his people, but I believe he got what he went after!

The thing we want you to see is that the ministry of THE SWORD OF THE LORD and Dr. Rice's literature and Dr. Rice's preaching are used of God to create a deep compassion and concern for sinners. Many thousands have become soul winners through the influence of our literature.

How We May "Labor Together"

We believe you, if you constantly read of the blessings brought by our literature, will agree that no money goes as far to win souls as money invested in a subscription to THE SWORD OF THE LORD or a few cents spent for a sound gospel booklet such as is published by Sword of the Lord Publishers. How many churches could report fifty-five conversions in two months? (This does not count conversions through revivals by Dr. Rice and associates; conversions in mission services in Chicago by Sword of the Lord workers, or the work of the extension department). And of course many, we have reason to believe, are saved who never write to tell us so. So we feel

safe in saying to you that if you invest money in any Sword of the Lord enterprise, your investment will prove of great blessing to some, and perhaps in souls saved. It has in many, many cases.

One man sends \$5.00 each month to the Sword of the Lord for us to use in sending subscriptions to missionaries. Some help regularly on the heavy radio expense, or in the support of John Thompson, our colored missionary student, or help in spreading the gospel through our Free Literature Fund. What part did you have in bringing blessing these past two months? Did you invest any money—any prayers—any time in others?

This is letter-month at Sword of the Lord Publishers. One reason you ought to write is because you have a burden to help in this great work of spreading the gospel. For a certain period we kept record and by this carefully kept record found that we gave away close to \$2,000 a month in free literature—to missionaries, to prisons, to chaplains, and others. We have a burden on our hearts now to get the booklet, "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" printed in Japanese. Our missionary friend, now in Japan, Rev. Timothy Pietsch, was recently in our office on his furlough. He could use thousands of copies of this booklet in Japan. In fact, we have gone ahead and had it translated, and are now waiting to

have it printed in the Japanese language. One good friend in Mexico sent us \$300 for this purpose, about half of what is needed. We are now having a new printing of 380,000 copies of the booklet in English—they go fast here in America. You pray about what you ought to do to spread the gospel through this booklet. If you feel led of God to help in its distribution, send us a check for the Free Literature Fund. The money will be carefully used as designated, and a receipt and letter sent you personally by Dr. Rice.

How else can you help? The Sword of the Lord is sponsoring a daily radio broadcast, the editor speaking, Monday through Saturday, on radio XENT, Laredo, Texas, at 11:00 each night. Then we have three fifteen-minute programs on Sunday: 8:15 p. m. and 11:00 p. m. on XENT, and at 4:15 p. m. on a Chicago station, WCBF. The total expense runs about \$1,200 a month for radio time and transcriptions alone, not counting secretarial help, free literature given away, etc. We have evidence that God is blessing these broadcasts. Many of you are able to hear Dr. Rice and write us of spiritual blessings each night. The radio is reaching many of the unsaved, too.

Do you feel led to help on the radio? If so, then send your gifts to Sword of the Lord. Your gift would greatly help to spread

the message into thousands of homes. At the same time you send an offering, add a little note that you are praying for the work—which we know you are!

How else can you help? You can order books for friends and loved ones. A 2c sermon tract—and that is all "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" with 24 pages, will cost you—has resulted in blessed results, with over 3,700 known decisions for Christ. Why could not you, with prayer and persistence, expect God's Word to help your unsaved loved ones? One hundred booklets would cost only \$2.00. And many of our 15c booklets are to the unsaved. Perhaps it is some other spiritual problem where your friends need help. Write us for a catalog, which will be sent absolutely free. There are so many ways you could help, with our literature, those who need spiritual advice. And we will be glad to help you in any way we can.

This is letter month. For each letter received we will send, IF REQUESTED, a copy of the beautiful 64-page book, *Seven Secrets of a Happy, Prosperous Christian Life*, absolutely free. If God lays it on your heart, then send an offering for some phase of the work. We indeed are "workers together for God," aren't we?

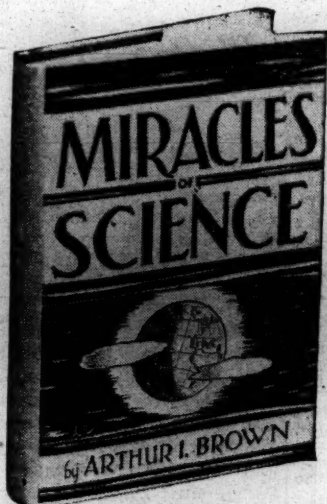
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We are offering so many attractive bonuses, by giving a \$1.00 box of cards with a \$5.00 retail order, and a 25c book, *Vest Pocket Companion for Soul Winners*, with a \$2.00 retail order, that we feel it would be right to offer some special bargains to you during letter month. Surely from these outstanding books at reduced letter month prices, you can find far more than \$5.00-worth of merchandise you would like to have! Remember that if you want the cards free (with a \$5.00 order) or the 25c book, *Vest Pocket Companion for Soul Winners*, free (with a \$2.00 order) you must ask for it. So look over this exciting list now, and choose what you would like to have. Make out your order, indicate which free premium you would like to have, and send in your letter now while letter month bargains are still available. All these books are carefully selected. We guarantee them to please or money refunded.

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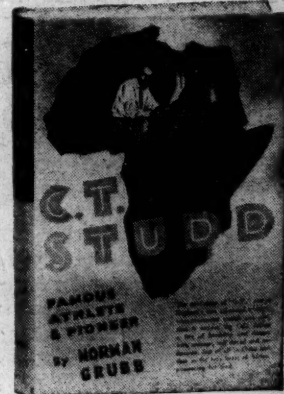
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